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PRELIMINARY AMENDMENT

Prior to examination, please amend the application as follows:

In the claims:

Cancel claims 1-4.

Add claims 5-12.

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-- 5. (New) A method for managing an intermediate interface of a telecommunication network, the method comprising:

connecting a local exchange and an access network for establishing and maintaining subscriber connections of the network;

providing one or more links, each link including a plurality of transmission channels for exchanging user information of the subscriber connections;

exchanging communication information for controlling the subscriber connections;

providing the plurality of transmission channels as communication channels for exchanging the communication information, based on a pre-established configuration of the

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